



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1200

January Session, 2007

* SB01200KIDHS_030607 *

**AN ACT CONCERNING A PROJECT TO ACCELERATE
PERMANENCY FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The Department of Children
2 and Families shall contract with the American Bar Association to carry
3 out the American Bar Association's Permanency Barriers project in two
4 regions in this state. The purpose of the project shall be to accelerate
5 permanency for children in this state by reducing delays from the time
6 a child enters foster care to the time a child achieves permanency. The
7 project shall: (1) Identify and analyze the causes of delay in achieving
8 permanency; (2) develop recommendations and implement reforms;
9 (3) establish written protocols and procedures and provide
10 multidisciplinary training; (4) monitor reforms and changes; and (5)
11 share project results throughout the state.

12 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The sum of one hundred thousand
13 dollars is appropriated to the Department of Children and Families,
14 from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, for the
15 purpose of carrying out the project described in section 1 of this act.

16 Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The sum of one hundred fifty thousand
17 dollars is appropriated to the Department of Children and Families,
18 from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the

- 19 purpose of carrying out the project described in section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section

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